

Dear Food Service Professional:

Thank you for your interest in feeding Massachusetts farm products to your customers. Fresh locally grown food encourages students to enjoy healthier meals! The Massachusetts Farm to School Project has been working for several years with schools and farmers across the state to cultivate mutually beneficial relationships. This directory has been created to make it easier for school food service operations to access local farm products. Finding an appropriate match is the next critical step. Here are a few tips to keep in mind when making an initial contact with a farm:

I) Know your needs.

Making a list of the types of foods you may be interested in purchasing will assist the farm in responding to your inquiry. Have a rough idea of the quantities in which you purchase the items that you are hoping the farm can supply. It's okay to ask a farm to send you a sample product list before meeting. It's also important to let the farm know of your delivery needs and locations. Do you purchase food for summer feeding? That's important to share as well.

2) Call ahead.

Give yourself plenty of time to work out the details of price, delivery and availability with the farmer. Although farms can sometimes manage a quick turnaround time, having initial conversations a month or more before the first delivery will ensure that the locally grown foods you wish to purchase will be ready for delivery for you when you want them.

3) Be flexible.

Freshness and taste are major benefits to serving locally grown food. However, with the benefit of "just picked" comes some restrictions. Much of what is available locally is dependent upon the weather and the season. Planning your menus in a way that allows you to choose between several different vegetables or fruits, depending on what's available, will make it easier for you to serve the maximum amount of freshly picked items. Your students will appreciate the delicious tastes offered by more seasonal eating.

4) Need help?

Call or email us at 413-253-3844 or kelerwin@localnet.com.

DEFINITIONS

Partially Processed—Items that are cut, peeled, canned, or bottled

Organic—Follows USDA organic certification standards

Extended Season—Through cold storage and/or greenhouse production, able to continue to sell products into winter or spring

BARNSTABLE COUNTY

Coonamessett Farm

Salad mix Ron Smolowitz (508) 563-2560 www.coonamessettfarm.com

BERKSHIRE COUNTY

₼ Dalton

Holiday Farm

Produce, maple syrup, eggs, pork Desirée & Jesse Robertson-DuBois (413) 684-0444 www.holidayfarm.com

A Lanesborough

loka Valley Farm

Maple syrup, beef
Don Leab
(413) 738-5915
iokavalleyfarm@taconic.net

Lakeview Orchards

Fruit David Jurzak (413) 448-6009

~ Lee

High Lawn Farm

Milk and dairy products Helen Christensen (413) 478-0549 www.highlawnfarm.com

🙉 Richmond

Bartlett's Orchard

Apples Cindy (413) 698-2559 (413) 698-2595 (fax) www.bartlettsorchard.com

♠ Pittsfield

Jaeschke Orchards

Apples Chuck Wandrei (413) 743-3896

Sheffield

Equinox Farm

Organic vegetables including some partially processed, salad mix Ted Dobson (413) 229-2266

Woodside Orchards

Tree and small fruits Jim Kelly (413) 229-8224

→ Williamstown

Green River Farms

Vegetables including some partially processed, extended season Justin or Scott (413) 458-2470 (413) 458-1332 www.greenriverfarms.com

Peace Valley Farm

Vegetables, extended season Bill and Susan Stinson (413) 458-4866

BRISTOL COUNTY

JJMP's Silverbrook Farm, Inc.

Vegetables JJ Pereira (508) 998-8658

Dartmouth

Dartmouth Orchards

Apples and vegetables Brian Medeiros (508) 999-5801

Dighton

Reed Farm

Vegetables, fruit, flowers Steve or Jay Reed (508) 669-5949

Rehoboth

Oakdale Farm

Vegetables, berries Richard Pray (508) 336-7681 www.oakdalefarms.com

South Dartmouth

Eva's Garden

Culinary herbs and organic greens, flowers for special events Eva Sommaripa (508) 636-5869

Forbidden Fruit Farm

Vegetables, Asian pears, frozen fruit Barbara Purdy (508) 990-8837

Westport

Noquochoke Orchards

Vegetables, 90 varieties of apples
Susan Smith
(508) 636-2237

Paradise Hill Farm

Vegetables Shirley Robbins (978) 590-6537

Quansett Gardens

Certified naturally grown vegetables, eggs, meat Mary Merhi (508) 636-2476 mmerhi@banet.net

Sampson Farm

Potatoes, butternut squash Jerome Sampson (508) 674-2733

Tripp Farm

Organic vegetables, berries Lee Tripp (508) 636-2126 trippfarm@msn.com

ESSEX COUNTY

[♠] A m e s b u r y

Cider Hill Farm

Fruit, berries, vegetables Ed or Glenn (978) 388-5525 www.ciderhill.com

↑ Haverill

Tower Hill Farm

Melons, vegetables Alan Schwartz (617) 988-4051

Peabody

Brooksby Farm

Apples, vegetables including some partially processed Pat K or Joanne (978) 531-7456

Methuen

Pleasant Valley Gardens

Lettuce, vegetables Rich Bonanno (978) 361-5650 rbonanno@prodigy.net

FRANKLIN COUNTY

♠ A shfield

Clark Brothers Orchards

Apples, extended season Aaron Clark (413) 625-2492

[™] Buckland

E&J Scott Orchards

Apples, extended season Ed Scott (413) 628-3327

Colrain

Pine Hill Orchards

Cider, apples, extended season David Shearer (413) 624-3325

♠ Deerfield

The Bars Farm

Tomatoes, peppers Allison Landale (413) 522-4959

Clarkdale Fruit Farm

Apples, tree fruits, extended season Tom Clark (413) 772-6797 www.clarkdalefruitfarms.com

Warm Colors Apiary

Honey
Dan Conlon
(413)665-4513
www.warmcolorsapiary.com

Williams Farm, Inc.

Maple syrup, corn Sandy Williams (413) 834-3875

Leyden

Dancing Bear Farm

Vegetables, tomatoes, greens, extended season Tom Ashley (413) 774-2021

∧ New Salem

Hamilton Orchards

Tree fruits, berries, applesauce, frozen raspberries
Barbara Hamilton
(978) 544-6867
www.hamiltonorchards.com

New Salem Orchards and **Preserves**

Apples, berry jams Bob Colnes (978) 544-3437

♠ Orange

Seeds of Solidarity Farm

Salad greens, garlic, tomatoes Ricky Baruc (978) 544-7564 www.seedsofsolidarity.org

[™]Shelburne

Apex Orchards

Apples, peaches, organic apples, cider vinegar, honey Tim Smith (413) 625-2744 www.apexorchards.com

South Deerfield ■

Atlas Farm

Organic vegetables, watermelon Sara or Gideon Porth (413) 230-4833 (413) 665-5524 (fax) www.atlasfarm.com

Long Plain Farm

Vegetables, extended season Scott Hutkoski (413) 655-1210

Nourse Farms, Inc.

Small fruits, asparagus Tim Nourse (413) 665-2658 (413) 665-7888 (fax) www.noursefarms.com

Wendell

Diemand Egg Farm

Eggs, turkey Ann, Fay or Peter Diemand (978) 544-3806

HAMPDEN COUNTY

Brimfield

River Rock Farm

Natural beef (413) 245-0249 www.riverrockfarm.com

■ East Longmeadow

Chestnut Hill Farm

Pumpkins, flowers Fred or Vicky Stevens (413) 525-6145

Granville

Mountain Orchard

Apples, peaches, nectarines, extended season Edward Jensen (413) 357-8877

Southampton

Bashista Orchards

Fruit, extended season Thomas Bashista (413) 527-0128

Southwick

Calabrese Farm

Vegetables, greens, strawberries, extended season
Donna
(413) 569-6417

™ Wilbraham

Green Acres Fruit Farm

Apples Kathleen Smedberg (413) 596-3016

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY

♠ A m h e r s t

Atkins Farm

Tree fruits, cider, extended season Pauline Lannon (413) 253-9528 www.atkinsfarms.com

Belchertown

Cold Spring Orchard

Tree fruits, extended season Joseph Sincuk (413) 323-6647

Chesterfield

Crabapple Farm

Organic vegetables
Tevis or Rachel
Robertson-Goldberg
(413) 296-0310
crabapplefarm@verizon.com

[™] Chicopee

McKinstry Market Garden

Apples, vegetables Bill McKinstry (413) 536-2043 www.mckinstrys marketgarden.com

Easthampton

Mountain View Farm

Vegetables
Ben or Liz
(413) 329-0211
www.mountain
viewfarmcsa.com

[™] Granby

Red Fire Farm

Certified organic vegetables, extended season
Ryan Voiland
(413) 467-7645
redfirefarm@gmail.com
www.redfirefarm.com

[™] Hadley

Boisvert Farm

Maple syrup, vegetables John Boisvert (413) 585-8820 www.northhadley sugarshack.com

Czajkowski Farm

Vegetables including some partially processed, small fruits, extended season Joe Czajkowski (413) 237-2615

Mapleline Farm

Milk John Kokoski (413) 549-6486

Twenty Acre Farm

Vegetables Tom Zuzgo (413) 549-5708 twentyacrefarm@aol.com

♠ Hatfield

Szawlowski Potato Farm

Potatoes, onions Shelly Szawlowski (413) 247-9240

Teddy C. Smiarowski Farm

Potatoes Bernie Smiarowski (413) 247-5181

Wendolowski Farm

Onions Anthony and Helen (413) 247-5476

Westhampton

Outlook Farm

Apples, vegetables, extended season Brad Morse (413) 529-9388 www.outlook-farm.com

Intervale Farm

Vegetables
Maureen and Richard Tracy
(413) 527-5440
intervale5@comcast.net

MIDDLESEX COUNTY

Acton

Butter Brook Farm

Organic vegetables, extended season Guy McKay (978) 263-1936 (781) 861-5800 (fax) www.butterbrookfarm.com

Stonefield Farm

Vegetables Andrea Austin (978) 263-5572 stonefieldfarmma @verizon.com

№ Bedford

Chip-In-Farm

Eggs Paul or Neil Couvee (781) 275-2545 www.chip-infarm.com

Concord

Verrill Farm

Vegetables, herbs Steve Verrill (978) 369-4494 www.verrillfarm.com

№Dracut

Brox Farm

Tree and small fruits, vegetables David Dumaresq (978) 454-3434 www.broxfarm.com

Saja Farm

Tomatoes, cucumbers, squashes, beans
Caroline Zuk
(978) 455-9665
www.sajafarm.com

Groton

Autumn Hills Orchard

Apples, peaches, pears, plums, grapes Lyn or Evan 617-921-7262 www.autumnhills orchard.com

→ Holliston

Highland Farm

Apples, vegetables Alex Marcoaldi (508) 429-8370 www.highlandfarm orchard.com

Reseska Apiaries, Inc.

Honey
Adelaide Reseska
508-429-6872
reseska-apiaries
@verizon.net
www.bostonhoney
company.com

Lincoln

Codman Community Farms, Inc.

Beef, pork, lamb, eggs Heidi (781) 259-0456 heidi.codmanfarm @comcast.net

[™]Stow

Carver Hill Orchard

Apples, peaches Chuck Lord (978) 897-6117 www.carverhill.com

NANTUCKET COUNTY

∧ Nantucket

Bartlett Ocean View Farm

Vegetables Larry Belka (508) 228-9403 www.bartlettsfarm.com

NORFOLK COUNTY

Cohasset

Holly Hill Farm

Produce, herbs Jon Belber (781) 383-1455

♠ Franklin

Fairmount Fruit Stand

Apples Johnny or Charles Koshivas (508) 533-8737 ∧ Norfolk

Jane and Paul's Farm

Sweet corn, apples, tomatoes Paul Newton (508) 528-0812

[™] Sharon

Ward's Berry Farm

Vegetables, berries Jim Ward (781) 389-2349 wardfarm@aol.com

PLYMOUTH COUNTY

[™] Bridgewater

Hanson Farm, Inc.

Sweet corn
David or Bob Hanson
(508) 697-4003
www.hansonfarm.com

A Hingham

Penniman Hill Farm

Vegetables Daniel, Tony or Hanna (781) 749-5443 [™] Marshfield

Nessralla Farm, Inc.

Vegetables Paul Nessralla (781) 834-2833

Mattapoisett

Lucky Field Organics

Organic vegetables Weston Lant (508) 642-3491

Plymouth

Cranberry Hill Farm

Organic cranberries, frozen berries, sweet/dried berries Rob or Kristine Keese (508) 888-9179 (508) 888-9179 (fax) www.organiccranberries.com

Sauchuk Farm

Vegetables Scott Sauchuk (781) 585-1522 www.sauchukfarm.net

WORCESTER COUNTY

The Farm School

Organic vegetables Patrick Connors (978) 249-9944 www.farmschool.org

Barre

Many Hands Organic Farm

Certified organic vegetables Julie Rawson (978) 355-2853 julie@mhof.net www.mhof.net

♠ Harvard

Carlson Orchards

Apples, sliced apples, cider Frank Carlson (978) 456-3916 www.carlsonorchards.com

Westward Orchards Farm Stand

Apples, peaches
Don Green
(978)456-8787
www.westwardorchards.com

₼ Hardwick

Chestnut Farms

Beef, pork, lamb Kim Denney (413) 477-6656 chestnutfarms@comcast.net

♠ Hubbardston

The Country Hen

Organic eggs Jim Barry (978) 928-5333 www.countryhen.com

Lancaster

Deershorn Farm

Vegetables Cindy McLaughlin (978) 368-7603 (978) 368-0096 (fax)

Leominster

Sholan Orchard

Apples, berries Mike Meehan (978) 660-4556

Lunenburg

Lanni Orchards

Apples, tree fruits, vegetables including some partially processed, extended season Pat Lanni (978) 582-6246 www.lanniorchards.com

Stillman Dairy Farm

Milk and dairy products Garrett Stillman (978) 582-5533

New Braintree

Stillman's Farm

Vegetables, apples Glenn or Genevieve (508) 867-7193 www.stillmansfarm.com

North Brookfield ■

Brookfield Orchards, Inc.

Apples
Dorothy or Louise Civin
(508) 867-6858
www.brookfield
orchardsonline.com

Northborough

Berberian Farm

Corn, tomatoes Mike Berberian (508) 393-8079 (508) 243-8079 (cell)

Davidian Brothers

Vegetables, apples
David Davidian
(508) 393-3444, ext. 201
www.davidianbros.com

Phillipston

Red Apple Farm

Apples Al Rose (978) 249-6763 www.redapplefarm.com

Warren

Breezeland Orchards

Apples, extended season Mark Tuttle (413) 436-7100

West Brookfield

Honeybee Orchards

Apples, peaches, pears, plums Bill Haseoes (508) 826-6607

Ragged Hill Orchards

Apples, extended season Keith Arsenault (508) 867-2187 www.raggedhill.com

Westborough

Heirloom Harvest CSA

Vegetables John Mitchell (508) 963-7792 www.heirloomharvestcsa.com

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